

# Get Ready for Medicare Checklist

Getting all you deserve from your Medicare coverage is easier when you plan ahead. This checklist will help you prepare for enrollment. Check (✓) each box as you move through the list.

## 9+ MONTHS TO MEDICARE

- Meet with the Human Resources department at your current (*or former*) job. Ask about retiree benefits and how to claim them.
- Meet with a financial advisor to go over your pension or 401(k) plan, and create an income distribution plan.
- Review your Social Security statement to make sure that all your information is correct. The wrong information, especially about income, could affect your benefits.

## 8–6 MONTHS TO MEDICARE

- Take some time to understand Medicare—what it covers, Parts A, B, C and D, and eligibility time frames. **BayCare.org/PlanAhead** has resources that can help.
- If you haven't done so, **attend a small group meeting**.\* Call us at (833) 571-6325 (TTY: 711)\*\* and we'll help you find a meeting near you. You can also attend a webinar online.

## 5–4 MONTHS TO MEDICARE

- Confirm your eligibility for Medicare benefits by contacting the Social Security Administration at [SocialSecurity.gov](https://www.SocialSecurity.gov) or (800) 772-1213 (TTY: (800) 325-0778).
- Make sure that your current doctor accepts Medicare. You can see if your doctor is covered by a **BayCarePlus**® Medicare Advantage (HMO) plan by going to **BayCarePlus.org**.

## 3–0 MONTHS TO MEDICARE

- Enroll in Medicare Parts A and B by contacting the Social Security Administration at [SocialSecurity.gov](https://www.SocialSecurity.gov) or (800) 772-1213 (TTY: (800) 325-0778).
- Enroll in a **BayCarePlus** Medicare Advantage (HMO) plan for all-in-one coverage that includes prescription drugs, vision, dental and hearing benefits.

\*For accommodations of persons with special needs at meetings, call (833) 571-6325 (TTY: 711).

\*\*You may reach a messaging service on weekends from April 1 through September 30 and holidays. Please leave a message, and your call will be returned the next business day.

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